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FOR JOHN RICHARDSON, ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR EDUCATIONAL
AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS, FROM ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR
INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION AFFAIRS SAMUEL W. LEWIS

REF: JAKARTA 2110

1. I GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR INFORMING ME OF YOUR CALL
ON THE INDONESIAN MINISTER OF EDUCATION ON 17 FEBRUARY.
A CABLE FROM OUR UNESCO PERM DEL IN PARIS CONCERNING
MAKAGIANSAR'S CANDIDACY, WHICH CROSSED YOURS FROM JAKARTA,
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ENTIRELY SUPPORTS THE EMBASSY'S JUDGMENT NOT ONLY OF HIS

EXCELLENT QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE UNESCO JOB BUT ALSO OF HIS PRO-AMERICAN OUTLOOK, WHICH WOULD APPEAR TO BE SOLIDLY BASED ON HIS EXPERIENCES IN THE U. S. AS A STUDENT.

2. MY DEPUTY, DON TOUSSAINT, WHOSE PREVIOUS POST WAS DCM IN JAKARTA AND WAS GOOD FRIEND OF MAKAGIANSAR, ALSO CONFIRMS THAT HE WOULD IN ALL RESPECTS BE EXCELLENT CHOICE FOR THE JOB.

3. THUS FAR, MAKAGIANSAR IS ONLY PERSON WHOSE NAME HAS BEEN SUBMITTED FOR POST OF ASSISTANT DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR SOCIAL SCIENCES, IN WHICH U. S. HAS CONSIDERABLE INTEREST. INDEED, CREATION OF THIS POST WAS DIRECT RESULT OF U. S. INITIATIVE AT 1974 GENERAL CONFERENCE. WE WILL, OF COURSE, WISH TO DEFER OUR JUDGMENT UNTIL ALL CANDIDATES HAVE BEEN FIELDDED, PROBABLY SHORTLY BEFORE UNESCO'S SPRING EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING (APRIL 26 - MAY 28, 1976), BUT I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT MAKAGIANSAR WILL BE GIVEN VERY FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION BY US. INGERSOLL

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